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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

1. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

2. Claims 27,28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because these claims are directed to non-statutory subject matter. These claims contain limitations which are directed to software per se.

Claim Objections

- 3. Claim 14 is objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 14 should state: "a memory; the memory comprising instructions which when executed by a processor are configured to:...". Appropriate correction is required.
- 4. Claim 15-26 are objected to for depending upon claim 14.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 5. Claims 1-13,29-41 allowed.
- 6. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: Claims 1-13 are allowed because of the inclusion of the following limitations: "identifying a bus transaction request with a virtual machine monitor; storing a record associated with the bus transaction request in a virtual machine". Claims 29-41 are allowed because of the inclusion of the following limitations: "identify a bus transaction

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request with a virtual machine monitor; store a record associated with the bus transaction request in a virtual machine".

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yolanda L. Wilson whose telephone number is (571) 272-3653. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (7:30-4:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Beausoliel can be reached on (571) 272-3645. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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